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## At Random

Tommy Dewey tours four states, campaigning without making a speech. Voters should appreciate that.

Maybe he thinks his past records speak louder than political talks.

With the nomination of Truman for vice-president, Mr. Roosevelt now has two "running" mates.

The Publishers' Auxiliary says "Editors need a vacation." Can't see why a fellow who just sits back of a desk day after day should ever need a rest.

Huckleberries are still bountiful, but not so large as the early crop.

Blackberries are wonderful—and a big crop is in prospect.

If you don't find people at home, the prospects are they're "berrying".

Earl Burns just returned from the Republican convention in Grand Rapids, and says "We have the situation well in hand."

Months ago we predicted the capitulation of Germany in August. Bet we'll be nearer right than Henry Ford.

Every few days the Russians capture another million towns and villages. Aren't there any farming areas?

Streets of Grayling are crowded daily, but it's only occasionally we old-timers meet someone we know.

## County Gets \$4,843.92 Wt. And Gas Tax

State Highway Commissioner Charles M. Ziegler last week (July 28) submitted vouchers to the Auditor General's department for the distribution of \$2,761,172.08 in weight and gasoline tax money to the various counties of the state.

The current returns include the second quarter, 1944, weight tax payment and the first half of 1944 gas tax payments in accordance with the statutes providing for these returns. The weight tax returns total \$904,172.08, compared to \$1,102,344.12 for the first quarter of 1943. First quarter weight tax returns made last May totaled \$16,983,087.07, making \$17,885,259.10 in weight tax returned to the counties so far this year.

The gas tax return is the usual first quarter amount set by law. A similar payment is made for the last quarter each year; an additional \$4,000,000 is returned annually for use on McMillan roads, and \$200,000 is paid to northern counties for snow removal—making a total of \$6,750,000 of gas money which goes to the State Highway Department as its sole source of state funds.

The amount returned to Crawford County for the second quarter weight tax is \$2,381,112; for the first half gas tax, \$2,462,80, making a total of \$4,843.92.

## Entertaining With A Series Of Parties

Mrs. George Kraus of Chicago is entertaining with a series of afternoon parties at her summer home at Lake Margrethe.

On Saturday she was hostess to twenty-four ladies at a luncheon of 15 lovely appointments which was followed by contract bridge. Honor scores were held by Mrs. Charles Moore and Mrs. Robert Hayes.

Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Kraus entertained with a very delightful luncheon bridge to some twenty of her friends. The luncheon was served on small tables scattered throughout the room. At bridge, which followed, the high ladies were Mrs. C. R. Keyport and Mrs. Royale Wright.

Mrs. Kraus is giving another affair this (Thursday) afternoon.

## In Memory

A Loving Memory of my Mother, who passed away August 10, 1933.

She has gone, but not forgotten, and as dawn another year, my lonely hours of thinking thoughts of her are always near. Days of sadness that come o'er me.

Friends may think the wound is healed, but they little know the sorrow that is in my heart concealed.

Mrs. Harry Horton.

Forest Industry

The 21,778 forest industry establishments reporting in 1939 had a total payroll of \$1,111,500,000.

## Kiwanis Sponsors O.P.A. Banquet

Some sixty-five ladies and gentlemen attended the Kiwanis banquet Wednesday evening at Shoppemagons Inn, honoring the local O. P. A. Board members and Saginaw District executives.

Immediately following the banquet the guests witnessed the movie reel, "O. P. A. Holds the Line" which showed how O. P. A. succeeded in keeping prices down and thus prevented inflationary prices.

Mr. Roy Trudgeon, president of Kiwanis, acted as chairman of the banquet. He introduced Mr. Russell Harrington, Field Operations executive, who made a few remarks on his part of the work in the Saginaw District.

The next speaker was Leo Kalahar, who spends a good deal of time here and has observed the work of the local board. Mr. Kalahar is Field Operations Officer. John F. Kessell, District Director, Saginaw District, was presented. He talked at length on O. P. A. operations and the successful manner in which they had been able to protect the people of this district from rising prices, prices above ceiling prices. He also spoke of the splendid co-operation they had received from the local board. He then presented the board members with certificates and pins for excellent service rendered.

The list included: T. W. Hanson, Community Service member; A. J. Joseph, Administrator; Mrs. Bessie Peterson, ex-administrator and member of Fuel Oil panel; Royale Wright, Chairman of Price panel; Mrs. Roy Milnes, Price Panel member; Miss Marguerite Bauman, Price panel member; Glenn Fernd, Chairman of Commodities; Joyce Bugby and Jerome Kessler, Commodities panel members; Mrs. Lillian Ryan, former member of Commodities panel, and now on office staff; A. J. Joseph, Chairman of Mileage panel; Hans L. Peterson, Don Gothro and Ernest Borchers, members of Mileage panel; Roy Trudgeon, Chairman of Fuel Oil panel; Franklin Hills and Emil Giegling, members of Fuel Oil panel.

Pins were given, to be sent to Robert Sorenson, now serving in the Navy; Robert was a member of the Mileage panel. Also Mrs. Harold Throop, who was a member of the Commodities panel, and Mr. Willard Cornell, who was a Mileage panel member, were awarded pins.

Mr. T. W. Hanson gave a very fine talk on the splendid service that has been rendered by this county by J. Joseph, both in World War I and the present war. He said, "It is my opinion that Mr. Joseph is our most useful citizen." Mr. Joseph is now serving as Chairman of the Board of Administration.

Mr. Hanson also presented Mrs. Stanley Stealy, Chief Clerk of the Board, with a lovely corsage, a gift from the members of the Crawford County Board.

This concluded the evening's program.

## Cemetery Notes

We acknowledge, with thanks, contributions received the past week from Olaf N. Michelson, William Masters, Salling Hanson Co. Trustees, and Jappe Smith.

Our mail the past month has been most encouraging we having received numerous complimentary letters; and among those from out of town were letters from Mr. William Masters of Menasha, Wis., and Hon. Frank Bell of Neenah, Mich. The parents of both of these gentlemen were among our early settlers and pioneers.

Sometime during the month of September, we would like to paint the fence around the cemetery. We need some volunteers to do this work, so if you own a paint brush and would like to donate a few hours of your time, get in touch with Mr. McNamara at Mac & Gidley Drug Store and register your name.

Our Cemetery Committee hold their meeting in the Court Room on the first day of each month at 7:30 p. m. You are most welcome to attend our meetings.

August 9th marks our first anniversary, having completed one full year's work. Come out and look over the job, and let us have your suggestions for further improvement.

Cemetery Committee.

## THANK YOU, VOTERS OF CRAWFORD COUNTY

I wish I were able to shake the hands of all the voters of Crawford County for the splendid vote given me in the county. Owing to the gas and tire rationing, it was impossible for me to make my usual campaign throughout the district, but it is indeed gratifying to know that you remembered me when you went to the polls. I hope that I will be able to see you soon, but above all, if there is anything in your county that needs attention in Lansing, do not hesitate to call on me. Hoping this message will serve as a personal call, I remain,

Your Senator, Ben Carpenter.

## Closers of Some of America's Fighting Men



At left, Lieut. (J. G.) Lloyd Milligan, navy torpedo bomber pilot, does embroidery while awaiting the call. "Pilots, man your planes!" Center: All available material went into the airport recently built by Allied engineers near Nettuno, Italy. Here Pvt. Oscar Jones holds some of the powder which evidently bears mark, "Made in Germany." Right: Speaking over the loud speaker system so that every man on the carrier can hear, Lieut. (J. G.) Eugene Hanks tells how he bagged five Zeros in five minutes on first combat flight.

## Plane Kills Woman In Boat

LAKE MARGRETHE SCENE OF TRAGEDY, RESULT OF CARELESSNESS.

Mrs. Mary Meyer, 72, of Madeira, Ohio (a suburb of Cincinnati), was almost instantly killed by being struck by an airplane while boating on Lake Margrethe, Wednesday morning, at about 11:15 o'clock.

Mrs. Meyer and her son, Walter, about 50 years of age, were peacefully enjoying a boat ride on the lake, when suddenly three army planes appeared, flying in formation. The planes are reported to have been flying close to the surface of the water and, the son stated, appeared to be coming directly toward their boat. He stood up in the boat and frantically waved his hat, hoping the pilot would see them and change his course.

However, the plane came on, headed straight for them. Realizing the danger of being struck, Mr. Meyer called to his mother to "duck" and did so himself.

The plane missed him, but, apparently, propellers struck the mother diagonally across the back, severing the spinal column and cutting deeply into vital organs.

The son said, "I'm all right. Mother, how are you?" The mother replied, "I got touched," and those were her last words, as she lived only about a minute after the accident.

About 100 feet away was another boat, occupied by Edgar Clough, his wife and 11-year-old son Stanley, and it was only by their avoiding what might have been a fate similar to that of Mrs. Meyer.

The Cloughs went to the aid of the Meyers and towed their boat to the Dr. VanVleck landing. Coroner Norman Butler and Prosecuting Attorney Chas. E. Moore were notified; Sheriff John Papendick and State Police were also called to the scene.

Clarence Johnson an official at Grayling Airport, also was notified, and took part in investigation of the accident.

Major Horton of the Federal flying field at Oscoda was informed of the accident and came here, accompanied by a number of other army officers, who took charge of affairs. A postmortem was held and many witnesses heard; however, details seemed unavailable to the public.

It is currently rumored that the three flyers involved in the accident were trainees from the Oscoda flying field, and that they were French flyers from Free French Africa here to take advanced training. In an effort to substantiate this opinion telephone communication was had with authorities at Oscoda field; the only result was that the representative of the press was referred to the commander at Mitchell Field New York. So while we believe the report is substantially accurate, still, in the language of the army, "it hasn't been substantiated."

The Meyer family had only recently purchased a cottage at Lake Margrethe, where they might enjoy their summer vacations, and were very happy here. The remains of Mrs. Meyer were sent to the family home at Madeira, Ohio, Wednesday night.

## Why Remain Home Because of Gas Shortage?

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Flower are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Albrecht of Algoma, Wis.

Now, that in itself isn't such big news... but the interesting part is that they bicycled 112 miles of that trip and made the 60 miles of the total 172-mile trip by boat.

The Albrechts left Algoma Saturday at 7:30 o'clock and arrived at the Flower cottage at Lake Margrethe at 8:30 Sunday, a little tired, but happy. They started on the return trip Thursday, using the same novel manner as that by which they came.

Mrs. Albrecht and Mrs. Flower are sisters.

## Milk Weed Pods Needed For Life Jackets

Mr. Claude Wilson of Vanderbilt, Michigan, has recently been called upon to serve as district supervisor of the milkweed pod collecting program of War Hemp Industries, Inc. He will, with the assistance of the county agricultural agents, county school commissioners, county war board chairman, Scout leaders and others, arrange for the collection of milkweed pods. During the coming fall, the U. S. Government has requested for manufacture of life jackets for the Army and Navy, 1,500,000 lb. of floss, which will require 2,250,000 50-lb. onion bags full of the pods. The schoolchildren will collect possibly 95% of all the milkweed pods that are gathered. Last year they did splendidly in a program that was a little delayed in getting under way. However, this season with an ample supply of empty bags available before school begins and all necessary organizational details well in hand, the program of harvesting can be considered as "in the bag" so to speak.

It requires the floss from two bags of pods to make one life jacket. With so few American homes not having contributed men and women to the task of an early Victory and lasting peace, every school-age youngster should feel a personal responsibility for collecting at least enough pods to make one life jacket, and as many more as it is possible to get.

There will be buying stations conveniently situated throughout the county and the locations will be announced later. It will be possible to sell the freshly picked pods for 15c an onion bag full; or if the bags of freshly picked pods have been hung on fences in bright sunlight for a long enough time to become "crackly" dry, they will then be worth 20c a bag. You can not collect too many bags of pods.

Please address all inquiries on the program, either for bags or information, to the district supervisor, or inquire of your county agricultural agent, H. H. Club, leader, school teacher, or county war board chairman.

The three counties of Crawford, Otsego and Cheboygan are under the supervision of Mr. Wilson.

## Grant Giffin a Prisoner of Germany

James Giffin just received a letter from his nephew, Grant Giffin, who previously had been reported as killed in action. It reads as follows:

Kriegsgefangenerlager May 21, 1944

Dear Uncle:

(James Giffin)

Just a card to let you know the bad news. I am a prisoner of Germany and will be until the war is over. Boy! What does the old town look like now? Well, tell all hello for me. See Howard (Schmidt) and tell him to write. Must close.

Grant (Giffin).

## NEW SIZE PICTORIAL REVIEW... WITH NEW FEATURES

More interesting than ever! The Pictorial Review... starting with this Sunday's (Aug. 8) issue of The Detroit Sunday Times will be in new handy form, with fascinating NEW features—war features, short story, fun features, a wealth of intriguing attractions! Get The Detroit Sunday Times this Sunday and every Sunday, for the New Size Pictorial Review.



It was threshing time at Tecumseh, Michigan, last Saturday. And the Lord's wheat, planted by Perry Hayden, Tecumseh flour miller, on land provided by Henry Ford, again demonstrated the truth of John 12: 24 and its law of natural increase.

"It's been the Lord's wheat, not mine," is Hayden's way of explaining why his plantings have been half as thick as nearby stands and yet produce 50-fold, which is about double the average annual Michigan yield.

Hayden, a Quaker, has dedicated the entire crop to a holy purpose. He remarks casually on the fact that he has been "lucky" enough to plant on low valley soil, and get fat yields in drought and dry seasons when the highland crops "burned up" or "blew down" in high winds and yet the next year or two he planted on high land, just in time to avoid a succession of valley floods that destroyed all crops along the streambeds.

When drought or floods threaten, Hayden finds peace in his philosophy: "I'm not worried. It's all the Lord's wheat. He can do what He wants with it."

Ex-Governor Chase S. Osborn, "Michigan's Grand Old Man", has returned from his winter home in Possum Poke, Georgia.

In the Founder's Room, Book-Cadillac Hotel, President Warren E. Bow of Wayne University conferred upon Mr. Osborn the honorary degree of Doctor of Science in Natural Science, the seventh honorary degree to be so presented to him by an institution of higher learning.

Marshal Frank L. Kemmer of the university quoted W. A. Markland's description of Osborn as "the friendliest of men, yet he loves a fight; a true democrat, devoted to liberty, yet he is by instinct an absolute monarch; despite the force of his character, aggressiveness, his neighbors know him as an incurable sentimentalist."

Chase Osborn, at 84, is less vigorous than usual. He apologizes that he is "blind and paralyzed", but nevertheless, he sees more, travels more, thinks more, writes more, knows more than many a man in his prime, and with all faculties unimpaired. To those, long life and happiness!

Here and There.—The "wackiest town in the world" is Colon, Michigan, down in St. Joseph County. Colon is the home of the Percy Abbott Company, which manufactures gadgets for magicians. People have their heads or arms cut off, they are sawed in two, dismembered—yet they walk away unharmed.

Hary Trezise, publisher of the

Wakefield News, up near Ironwood, has four sons in the military service. John R. Dethmers, Holland, former assistant Attorney General, and now chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, appears to have the green light for the G. O. P. nomination for Attorney General. The State convention is July 31 to Aug. 1.

Percy Grainger, noted artist, was a guest of the National Camp Music at Interlochen this month. The Wayne County home rule amendment to the state constitution will appear on the Nov. 7 ballot; the Flint amendments, for diversion of sales tax revenue to local governments, failed to receive sufficient signatures.

Wednesday, July 26, was the 25th anniversary of Oscar Olander with the State Police. The organization was created April 10, 1917, with Col. Ray C. Vandercock as its commanding officer by assignment from the Michigan War Preparedness Board. It was a wartime emergency. Michigan State College loaned property for state headquarters.

During Commissioner Olander's service, the State Police have acquired a national reputation for efficiency. Political interference is non-existent. Posts are housed in permanent buildings. Equipment is modern. Michigan takes great pride in the Michigan State Police and Commissioner Olander.

The State Bar of Michigan, professional organization for attorneys, has been widely commended by state officials, state legislators and newspaper editors for its re-affirmation of ethics whereby lawyer-members of the State Legislature are restrained from accepting fees from persons or groups having special interest in legislative actions.

There have been rumors at Lansing, some of which were linked to the grand jury investigations, that lawyer-members had accepted fees from regular clients who were affected currently by pending legislation. The action by the State Bar's committee on ethics makes it clear that such a practice has been, and is now, considered to be unethical. Like Caesar's wife, lawyer-legislators should be above suspicion.

Actually, it is understood that the re-affirmation has been considered for nearly one year and was not prompted by any investigations into alleged legislative graft at Lansing.

Associate Justice Frank Murphy of the United States Supreme Court prefers the rough and tumble of practical politics to the cloister of the bench. Latest evidence comes from Mrs. Van Auker, Detroit Democratic national committeewoman, who reports that Justice Murphy desired nomination for vice-president.

More camps for German war prisoners are being established this summer in Michigan. Escape of several Nazis is giving the Army a problem.

Cellulose Sponges

Cellulose sponges are made from viscose, of wood pulp origin. The basic material is similar to that used in making rayon and cellophane.

## Time Marches On

Grayling H. S. Basket Ball Team 1933-1939



ALL IN THE ARMED SERVICE

Top row, left to right—Willard Cornell, coach; Laurence Wylie, Bill Kraus, Theon Deckrow (killed in action), Jack Hull. Bottom row—Paul Lovely, James Peterson, Bill Moshier, Jack McClain, Arnold Tibbitts.

## Spike's Keg O' Nails



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## In the Editor's Mail

Lake Superior, July 24, 1944  
 Mr. O. P. Schumann,  
 Editor Crawford Avalanche,  
 Grayling, Mich.

Dear Sir:  
 Aboard the Steamer Johnson, the head stoker-man, Chester M. Burke, a native of your county, regales his fellow shipmates with stories of the North Woods, particularly of lumbering days in and around Frederic.

These stories have quite a fascination for all his listeners. Recently, however, he told one of the Deward lumber tract which we find just a little difficult to believe. We do not doubt Mr. Burke's veracity, but wonder if he could be mistaken.

Consequently, we thought it might be possible, if you would be kind enough to print this letter in your interesting paper, to get in touch with some of the "old-timers" who would know if this particular story is correct or not. Or again, perhaps you, the editor, might have some records which will verify this tale.

Here is the story:  
 "In the Deward wood there was one huge pine tree, which was referred to by the lumberjacks as the 'Great Monarch'."

This was supposed to have been the largest pine tree ever cut in the State of Michigan. The day the "Great Monarch" fell, the whole town turned out. While large trees had been cut before, it is doubtful if any previously had yielded the quality and quantity of lumber this particular pine tree did. It cut into eight 16-foot logs. The butt was hollow and the top log was not included in the scale, yet it scaled 7,586 board ft. of lumber, 687 of it was better than common. To give one an idea of the immensity of this huge pine tree from the Deward timber land, eight 'Russell' cars were necessary to transport these logs from the woods to the Deward mill, at that time the largest lumber mill in the United States."

Any information you can give us through the medium of your paper concerning the correctness of this "lumbering tale" will be greatly appreciated. To us of the lower lakes region, it sounds somewhat fantastic.

Mr. Burke was a former teacher at Batterson school, located 1 1/2 miles south and west of Frederic in the heart of the lumbering district. In fact, Mr. Burke encountered many difficulties with these lumberjacks, as Frederic was an "oasis" where said lumberjacks were wont to while away many a leisure hour. On their return to camp, becoming unduly tired, they hailed Mr. Burke's schoolhouse as a haven of rest. This, at times, necessitated much maneuvering on the part of this brave teacher to evict the weary lumbermen in time for school to take up.

"Thanking you for your co-operation in this matter, we remain

Yours truly,  
 Officers and Crew of  
 Steamer Horace Johnson,  
 Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

Wood Oil

Tung oil (also called wood oil) was imported from China for use in making paints, enamels, linoleum, tiles and printing inks.

## Selective Service Report

The below-named inductee, who was transferred to Detroit for induction, was rejected by the Armed Forces on July 21: Jack Henry VanCleve, Detroit, Mich.

The following selectees are scheduled to leave via regular bus at 1:09 p. m. (EWT), August 8, for pre-induction physical examination at Detroit Induction Station. Examination scheduled for 7:00 a. m. (EWT), August 9. Theodore E. Irelan, Dearborn, Mich.

Bernard M. Godfrey, St. Louis, Mo.  
 August J. Miller, R.F.D. 1, Roscommon.

Robert F. Bugby, Grayling.  
 Robert F. Jensen, R.F.D. 1, Roscommon.

## Kiwanis Club Notes

President Roy Trudgoun of the Kiwanis Club announced, following the club luncheon, that Mr. Edward Penty, who recently moved to Grayling from Battle Creek, where he was a Kiwanis member, had been voted a member of the local club.

A. J. Joseph was introduced as chairman of the program of the day, and he in turn presented Mrs. H. W. Wolf of New York, who spoke on her work as chairman of the Military and Naval Services Committee of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York City.

Following her very interesting account, telling of unusual incidents, reading letters from servicemen and appreciative mothers, whose sons had enjoyed the entertainment provided by this fine church service, and giving in detail how the service had been accomplished, she read a very fine paper on "The Servicemen Who Come Back," which will appear in full in next week's issue of the Avalanche.

## Luncheon Bridge

Twelve ladies were guests of Mrs. A. E. Mason at a delightful luncheon-bridge at her home at Lake Margrethe, Wednesday afternoon. Beautiful garden bouquets graced the tables on which the luncheon was served. Mrs. George Kraus and Mrs. Kenneth Bobbly of Detroit held the high scores for contract. Mrs. Hoffman of Bloomfield Hills and Mrs. Bobbly were out-of-town guests.

I will be in Gaylord, Friday and Friday evening, August 4th, 1944. Offices over Gugisberg's store, 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. Eyes examined and glasses prescribed. Call phone 149M, Gaylord, for appointment. Dr. Kenneth W. Tinker, Optometrist, Traverse City, Michigan.

Detroit, the world's automobile town, is the oldest city west of the original seaboard colonies, having celebrated its 137th birthday before Chicago received its first charter. The 176 posts of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Michigan are co-operating closely with the newly-created State Office of Veteran Affairs at Lansing. Arthur W. Thomas is the state adjutant, with offices in Detroit.

Mild Onion

Shallots, another form of the onion used chiefly for cooking, has a mild flavor, and is grown from sets which may be planted in the fall where the winters are mild, and in the spring in colder states.

Fustest With Mostest

The statement "Get there fustest with the mostest" is credited to Confederate General Nathan Bedford Forrest during the Civil War and is variously quoted as "to get there first with the most men," "I got there fust with the most men," and "I got there first with the most men."

## South Branch News

Our whole community was saddened this week by the news that Louis Irelan was killed in action in France, July 10. Louis lived a brief time near Roscommon before entering service last November, but he and his wife lived in Eldorado so many years our community still claims them. Everyone in the neighborhood extends deep and heartfelt sympathy to his widow, Betty Irelan, who is with her parents at present.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Funsch and Mrs. Chas. Starr and son were in Flint, Monday, attending the funeral of Mrs. Daniel Jones.

Rev. Bernie Lyons of Owosso and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Kitzmiller, of Markey, were dinner guests at the Parsonage, Friday.

Mrs. John Floeter is spending a week in Detroit, visiting relatives.

Mrs. Etta Nowlin entertained Mr. and Mrs. Starr and son to a six o'clock dinner, last Thursday evening.

Little Bobby Jean Funsch of Flint is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Funsch.

William Floeter left for Detroit Sunday morning. He will have work there temporarily.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Dyer called at the Parsonage, Wednesday evening of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Babcock, who have been living on the Edward Sheppard farm the past year, have moved on a farm near Mifflin.

## FLORA B. JONES

Mrs. Flora B. Jones, of Roscommon, age 88, died Thursday, July 27, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Raymond Cook, Jr. Funeral services were held Monday, July 31, Rev. Charles W. Starr officiating.

She was born in Shiawassee County, Michigan, March 24, 1876, and lived in Roscommon the last ten years. She was married December 26, 1897, to David A. Jones at Durand. She was a member of the Methodist church, the Ladies' Aid and Eastern Star chapter. She is survived by her husband, three sons, six daughters, twelve grandchildren and one brother.

## Frederic News

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Weaver were called to Buchanan, Mich., by the serious illness of Mr. Weaver's mother.

Miss Alma Weaver returned to her job in Detroit after a 2-weeks vacation. Bobby Weaver accompanied her for a vacation.

Floyd Taylor was a Frederic visitor last Saturday.

Miss Caroline Post is assisting in the Bill Long restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Eaton were in Afton last week to bring Dann Pratt home. Mr. Pratt had spent a week up there getting things ready for the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Eaton.

Kenneth Allen and family have moved back into their own home in the north end of town.

Vern Wallace returned Sunday morning from a 10-day visit with his daughter, Mrs. Helen Weaver, in Buchanan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Downer, of Pontiac, are here visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Barber.

Mr. and Mrs. Sandy McClellan and daughter, of Walled Lake, spent the week at the Percy Harner home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Turner have as their guests, Mrs. John Hyzer, Mrs. Virginia Priest, Mrs. Sadie Hyzer and daughter Lois, all of Detroit. Miss Lois will make an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Newberry went to Flint last week to visit their daughter, Miss Betty Newberry.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kaiser, of the AuSable Hotel, Frederic,

entertained Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Bigham, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bigham and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wardlow at Zauel's Tavern, Tuesday evening. A delicious steak supper with all the trimmings was served in the private dining room.

Mr. Wardlow, one of the Consumers Power Co. officials, of Saginaw, is enjoying a vacation with relatives and friends. Mrs. Wardlow, his charming wife, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Bigham.

## Lovells

Pauline Loeffler was again on the sick list last week.

Louise McCormick returned to Plymouth and Detroit for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Swartzmelle, of Chesaning, were guests over the week-end at Douglas Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Boutell and Mr. and Mrs. C. Stillwagon enjoyed Sunday dinner at the Douglas Hotel.

Charles Kellogg of Plymouth is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kellogg, for a week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bowman and Kathryn, of Detroit, are enjoying a two-weeks vacation at one of the Steeking cabins.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Waiser and daughter Patsy, of Chesaning, are enjoying a few days vacation at their home on Shupac Lake.

Betty Gardopce, a friend, who have been spending their vacation at Lovells, returned to their work in Flint, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Stillwagon and daughter Jeanine, and Mr. Joseph Vance are enjoying a week at their home down river.

Coxswain Don McCormick arrived home Sunday morning on a 10-day leave from the Navy. This is Don's first visit home in over a year.

Capt. W. D. and Mrs. Buzyard, of Chesaning, were week-end guests at the Douglas Hotel. The Captain has had two years active duty overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Richter visited their daughter, Mrs. Lewis Stillwagon, and daughters, Marie and Maryda Lou, last Wednesday.

Mrs. Lewis Stillwagon returned home Wednesday after spending the week-end with her husband at Great Lakes III. He is still in the Navy Hospital.

A dinner was given for Bob McCormick, Bud Caid, Tommy and Jimmie Douglas, Friday, as a farewell get-together for Bob, who leaves for induction into the Navy Sunday night.

Vance Lancaster of Detroit returned to Ann Arbor, Mich., to resume his studies at the Medical College, after spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Moore, on Shupac Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Halberg and children, of Detroit, visited relatives and friends in Lovells, Thursday afternoon. They are spending their vacation at their cottage at East Twin Lake, Lewiston.

Tommy and Jimmie Douglas, Betty Gardopce and friend, of Flint, Bob McCormick, Margee and Bud Caid enjoyed a wiener roast at Big Creek, Saturday night, honoring Bob McCormick, who left for the Navy, Sunday.

"The Cheerful Givers" Ladies Club met at Maude Carroll's last Thursday. A delicious dinner was served. Next meeting is at Ruth Caid's home, Aug. 10. They will celebrate two birthdays—Mrs. Bessie Kellogg's and Mrs. Marie Duby's. Hope to have a good attendance. Come and bring your knitting needles and yarn and let's get busy and finish that Afghan we have begun.

## "The Moms"

The Moms meeting was held at the Maple Forest town hall on July 20, with 15 members present. A lovely lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. E. Corsaut, assisted by Mrs. Edmunds, Mrs. Cram, and Mrs. Dunckley.

Our next meeting will be held on August 10, at the Frederic town hall.

The sympathy of all the Moms goes out to the family of Mrs. Archie Lozon, who passed away July 21, 1944. Mrs. Lozon was president of the Frederic, Maple Forest and Lovells Unit No. 32 of Moms of America, since its organization, Sept. 2, 1942, and was unable to attend only five times during that period. She has one son, Ernest, in service, and was greatly interested in all the boys and gave of her time willingly and contributed generously. Her absence will be greatly felt by all the Moms.

Mrs. Charles Post.

## Coal Output Drops

In 1939 crude oil output was 14, and natural gas production 10, times as large as at the beginning of the century. Soft coal production was only twice as large, and anthracite output was actually smaller than in 1899. Since 1918 coal output has been declining.

## Usual Schedule

Smith—I want to get back to town as late as possible. What train should I take?

Agent—Well, there's a train leaving right now that's usually as late as any of them.

## Slight Hint

Joan—Why do you let him call you by your first name?  
 Jane—I want to encourage him to change my last name!

## Early Birds

Harry—I'm always up with the lark.  
 Jerry—Me, I prefer a swallow before breakfast!

## Continuous Performance

Mrs.—I thought you were never going to get drunk again. That's what you promised me yesterday.  
 Mr.—This isn't "again." This is "yet."

## Right Location?

She—Would you like to see where I was operated on for appendicitis?  
 He—Well-er, I hate hospitals!

## Sap in the Tree

Joe—My ancestors were all people of brains!  
 Bill—Too bad you were disinherited!

## Too Bad!

Jones—Was your uncle covered with insurance when he died?  
 Smith—No. Just a nightshirt.

## NO CONSOLATION

Little Boy—I'm c-rying b-b-be-cause I got a s-spanking.  
 Old Lady—Well, well, don't you mind.

Little Boy—Don't t-t-tell me that. That's just what I got spanked for.

## I Give Up!

Cashier—You'll have to identify yourself before I can cash this check.  
 Lady—My friend here will identify me.

Cashier—But I don't know her.  
 Lady—Oh, that's all right, I'll introduce you.

## No Kidding!

Smith—This is delicious salmon.  
 Mrs. Smith—That's not salmon. It's cod blushing at the price I had to pay for it!

## andidate



Gov. Earl Warren of California (right) is pictured with Wendell Willkie during a recent conference between the two. Willkie has announced that he is a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination.

Newspaper publishers will honor the memory of the late W. Frank Knox, wartime Secretary of the Navy, at a dinner, Friday, August 4, at Sault Ste. Marie. Knox's newspaper associate at the Soo, where he owned the Evening News, was Frank Sparks, editor of the Grand Rapids Herald, who will give the address Aug. 4. Knox served as president of the Michigan Press Association in 1904.

## Spade Best

A spade is best for sandy soil or for sod, but a spading fork is lighter to handle and works more easily in stony or heavy soil. Every spade should be turned over completely to bury grass and weeds deep enough to kill them.

## Church News

**MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH**

**Sunday Services**  
 10:00 A. M.—Bible School.  
 11:00 A. M.—Public worship.  
 Young People's meeting at 6:30. Join us in these helpful meetings.

Public is invited.  
 Ernest A. Benedict, Pastor.

**GRAYLING EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH.**

No Ev. Lutheran Church services for remainder of July.  
**English Sunday Services.**  
 9:45 A. M.—Sunday School.  
 11 A. M.—Worship.

Everyone is welcome.  
 No. Ev. Lutheran Church services for the remainder of July.  
 Svend Holm, Pastor.

**FREE METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Corner Shellenburger and State

**Sunday Services**  
 Sunday School—10:00 a. m.  
 Sermon—11:00 a. m.  
 Evening Worship—7:30 p. m.  
 Prayer meeting.  
 Friday—7:30 p. m.

Come and worship with us.  
 —Alva Calkins, Pastor.

**CALVARY CHURCH**

The Book—2 Tim 3:16  
 The Blood Heb. 9:22  
 That Blessed Hope, Titus 2:13  
 New Location—Grange Hall

**Sunday Services**  
 10:00 A. M.—Sunday School.  
 6:45 P. M.—Young people.  
 7:30 P. M.—Preaching.

**Midweek Services**  
 Thursday—  
 7:30 P. M.—Prayer and Every body's Bible Class.

You are welcome.  
 Pastor, F. D. Barnes.

**FREDERIC BIBLE CHURCH**  
 "We preach Christ crucified for our sins"

10:30 a. m.—Sunday School.  
 8:00 p. m.—Evening Service.  
 Wednesday—Prayer meeting and Bible study—8:00 p. m.

**EXCELSIOR CHURCH (near Darragh)**

Services every Friday night—8:00 p. m.  
**JOHANNESBURG**  
 Church Services Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock.  
 Rev. Chas. Opitz.

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**MAC & GIDLEY**  
**REGISTERED PHARMACISTS**  
 Phones  
 2171 and 2181 Grayling

**GRAYLING STATE SAVINGS BANK**

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8 to 11:30 A. M. 1 to 3 P. M.  
 Margrethe L. Nielsen,  
 Cashier.

## Wanted--Oil Leases

**LADIES**—Spirella corset measurements and orders taken at The Serr Health Studio. For appointments call Kalkaska 2761. 8-3-44

**LOST**—Pocketbook, containing a sum of money, together with identifying papers, this morning (Thursday), somewhere on Michigan avenue. Reward for its return. Donald VanSickle, Bellevue, Mich. Finder please notify Avalanche Office. Phone 3111.

**FOR SALE**—6-room house on Maple Street near Ottawa. Call 4741 or see Art Clough, Real Estate, Grayling. 8-3-21

**TO CLOSE** the Rosa Joseph Estate: 14 lots for \$450, 120 acres on Lewiston grade. Make an offer. For details call 4741 or see Art Clough, Administrator, Grayling. 8-3-21

**FOR SALE**—1933 Chevrolet truck with stake rack. Inquire at the Randolph Inn at Lake Margrethe. 7-27-31

**FOR SALE**—20 acres containing house, barn, woodshed and garage. Nine miles south of Grayling, off main highway on Fletcher Rd. 1/2 down. Call at given location, or write John Sidlacek, R. 1, Roscommon, Mich. 7-27-21

**FOR SALE**—Buick 8 Coupe. See at Schoonover Garage. 7-27-21

**FOR SALE**—80-acre farm in Maple Forest Township. Good soil and well. Buildings fair. Write Box 283, or Phone 437, Gaylord. 7-27-41

**FOR SALE**—House trailer, 20 ft. by 7 1/2 ft., with three new tires. Inquire at Alfred Hanson Service Station. 7-27-31

**CASH**—Your old stamps, envelopes, or correspondence may be worth money. Send them to us for our appraisal and cash offer. Will reply by return mail. N. J. Barcus, 3787 Longfellow, Detroit 6, Michigan. 7-20-44

## Oil Drilling Company

**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
 In the Circuit Court For the County of Crawford

**IN CHANCERY**

Ora Billman, Esther Pearl Billman, George W. Craig and Ilva Craig,  
 vs.  
 Catherine Steckert, William Shanley, Mary B. Shanley, R. B. Moore, Rosa Moore, V. H. Lockwood and their Unknown Heirs, Devises, Legatees and Assigns, Defendants.

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**  
 Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, in Chancery, on the 24th day of July, 1944.

On reading and filing the Bill of Complaint in said cause and the affidavit of Ora Billman attached thereto, from which it appears to the Court that the above named defendants, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, are proper and necessary defendants in said cause, and that after diligent search and inquiry it can not be ascertained and is not known whether said defendants are living or dead, or where they or any of them may reside if living, and if dead, whether they have personal representatives or heirs living, or where they or any of them may reside, and that the names of the persons included therein under the title of unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns are not known, or motion of Charles E. Moore, attorney for the plaintiffs,

It is ordered that said defendants, their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, cause their appearance to be entered in this cause within three months from the date of this order, and in default thereof, that said Bill of Complaint be taken as confessed by said defendants, their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns.

It is further ordered that plaintiffs cause a copy of this order to be published according to law.

John C. Shaffer,  
 Countersigned, Circuit Judge.  
 Bessie Peterson,  
 Clerk of the Court.

Take notice that this suit, in which the foregoing order was duly made, involves and is brought to quiet title to the following described land, situated and being in the Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, to-wit: W 1/4 of NE 1/4 and NE 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 29, T. 25 N.R. 2 W.

Charles E. Moore,  
 Attorney for Plaintiffs,  
 Grayling, Michigan. 7-29-44

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Mix sugar and corn starch, and add to boiling water. Let cook ten minutes. When ready to serve, add lemon juice and butter.

A Home-Owned Store

## Burrow's Food Market

Phone 2291

## LOCALS

Thursday, August 3, 1944.

Miss Lillian Hoffman of Detroit is vacationing at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoffman.

Rose Ann and Tommy Kearney visited their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Marshall, of Cleveland, last week, at their summer home at Higgins Lake.

Mrs. Stanley Stealy, Mr. A. J. Joseph and Mr. Kalahar attended a district meeting of the O. P. A. at Alpena, Tuesday.

Joseph E. Torrence of Birmingham, Mich., died in Mercy Hospital here, Sunday. He was taken ill while on a vacation at his Higgins Lake summer home.

Sgt. Joseph Kochanowski of Nashville, Tenn., is spending an eight-day furlough visiting his friends in Grayling, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Morgan, at Cadillac.

Mr. and Mrs. Mart Shock of Detroit are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Gabriel and other friends, on the AuSable. On Thursday (today) they expect Attorney and Mrs. R. S. Day of Owosso.

Guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport at their summer home at Lake Margrethe, Sunday, were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Downer and daughter Joan, of Bay City; Mrs. Kenneth Dobbyn of Detroit is enjoying an extended visit with the Keyports. She arrived Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Sales returned Friday from Eaton Rapids, after a few days' visit with her brother, Colburn Charlefour and family. Mr. Charlefour's son, Richard, well known in Grayling, was home on leave from San Angelo, Texas, after receiving his wings and lieutenant commission from Bombardier school. He will go to Lincoln, Nebraska, where he will be assigned to a B-29 super fortress.

The Grayling 5c-10c and \$1.00 store is all brightened up with a fresh coat of paint.

The Blanche Beauty Shoppe has re-opened at the old stand next door to the bakery. Blanche says getting a telephone installed isn't so easy these days, but hopes to have one some day.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Herman, son Emerson and daughter Barbara, of Grand Rapids, left for their home Sunday, after visiting for several days with Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Jerome at Lake Margrethe.

Mrs. Elsie Rasmussen and sister, Mrs. Harold Rudgaard, and son Junior, returned to Detroit, Saturday night, after spending a month at Mrs. Rasmussen's cottage at the Danish Landing, Lake Margrethe.

Sally Ann Gross celebrated her 10th birthday Tuesday afternoon, by inviting to her home ten of her girl friends. She received many pretty gifts. Later in the afternoon sandwiches, ice cream and birthday cake were served by her mother.

Mrs. Cora Tucker of Detroit arrived here Monday night to visit her son, William, of the Tucker Toy factory, and wife. She says if she likes it here, she will probably stay. We can't imagine anyone not liking Grayling.

Miss Elizabeth Matson recently left for South Bend, Ind., to visit her friend, Miss Mary Hosford. Together they will soon leave for New York, where Miss Hosford will embark for Turkey, where she has accepted a teaching position.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Bauer, of Saginaw, accompanied their son, Carl J. Bauer Jr., here, Sunday. On Monday they are all returning to Saginaw, including Mrs. Bauer Jr. and sons John and Peter, who had spent three weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Schumann.

Sigurd C. Reetz, S 3-c, and Larry Anise, S 2-c, who accompanied Robert Chappel here to spend their furloughs with his mother, Mrs. Ruby Chappel, report a wonderful time while here and think Grayling folks the best ever. The young men are from Grosse Ile U. S. Naval Air Station.

Government reports show another citation for Sgt. Thomas T. Nelson. Tommy has been decorated with the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for "Meritorious Achievement" on B-17 Flying Fortress combat missions over enemy Europe. Sgt. Nelson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Nelson.

Mrs. Harold Y. Coutts and her sons, Harold Jr. and Gerald, left Grayling last Thursday night for their home in Berkeley, and then left Detroit Saturday to join Mr. Coutts in New York City. The two young boys have been visiting at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Van Natter, for the past month, while their mother underwent a minor operation at Mercy Hospital. Mr. Coutts, son of Mrs. Van Natter, is employed by the Detroit Engineering Corporation, and is now working at Long Island, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. George Collens, of Saginaw, spent the week-end in Grayling on business.

Larry Frymeyer of Detroit was a guest at the Harold MacNeven home over the week-end.

W. O. Hildebrand of Ann Arbor spent the week-end with his family at their cottage on Lake Margrethe.

Earl Rasmussen and two pals, Jim Pruett and Jim Hoagg, of Marlette, are camping at the tourist park.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Olson called on the W. James Olson family at "Pines" cabin, Houghton Lake, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Schenhooff, of Detroit, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Birdsall at Lake Margrethe.

Mr. and Mrs. William Evans of Flint are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Birdsall at "Three Oaks", Lake Margrethe.

Mr. O. W. Hanson had the misfortune to fall down stairs at his summer home at Lake Margrethe. He sustained a severe gash in his head.

Mrs. George Wieros and daughter, Susan Kav have gone to Gainesville, Florida, to be near Mr. Wieros, who is stationed at Camp Blanding. They expect to remain indefinitely.

Miss Margaret Cassidy left Tuesday night for Chicago to attend the Chicago gift mart. She intends to be gone about ten days, during which time Billyann Clippert will carry on at the Margot Shoppe.

A-C Edward Rutkowski arrived Saturday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rutkowski. Edward is receiving training as an aviation cadet at Majors Field, Greenville, Texas.

Dr. and Mrs. Bethard of Toledo arrived Sunday to spend the summer at their cottage at Lake Margrethe. They were accompanied here by Mr. and Mrs. Dusty Miles and little daughter, who will remain for the week.

Guests at the home of Mrs. Anna Schjotz for a few days were Mrs. J. Felborg (Ebba Schjotz) and her son, Jackie, of Detroit. They left Monday for Mackinac Island, where they will spend a few days at the Grand Hotel.

Pvt. Allen J. Stevenson passed the examination, and is now a cadet in the Army Air Corps. His address is: Pvt. Allen J. Stevenson 16190086 Section U, Flight 433 Amarillo Army Air Base, Amarillo, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mahon and daughter Patricia, who were vacationing at Van Etan Lake near Mio, were in Grayling one day last week visiting friends. George is a former Grayling boy and enjoyed looking up some of his boyhood pals.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Koerper were hosts at a pot-luck dinner at their Lake Margrethe home, Saturday evening for several friends. Out-of-town guests included Mrs. Ridenour, Mrs. Rose Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. William Caldwell, all of Higgins Lake.

Jacob Bailey of Detroit, who with his wife and daughter, Mrs. Rymer, was residing at Penrod's Cabins, died suddenly of a heart attack, early Monday morning. He was 59 years old and had been employed at the Packard plant for many years. His son-in-law, Mr. Ryan, is a nephew of Rev. Fr. Ryan, who is known here and has preached at St. Mary's Church.

Battery trouble at the telephone central Saturday night left a number of phone-users without service. This is a trouble that is rarely encountered, and was unexpected. Of course it would happen right after Jack Clark, maintenance manager, had left the city on his vacation. Help was summoned from Alpena, and it was early Sunday before repairs were completed and full service restored.

Word has been received from the Army Air Corps Pre-flight School, Maxwell Field, Ala., that A-C Arnold G. Babbitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan C. Babbitt, and A-C Esbern J. Olson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Esbern J. Olson, Sr., all residents of Grayling, having completed the 10 weeks course in academic, physical and military subjects, which supplements the Officer Candidate School at Maxwell Field, are graduating there. The near future will find them in one of the many efficient primary flying schools located throughout the country, where they will be taught the basic fundamentals of flight.

We endeavor to make our position one of helpfulness to those we serve.

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### Baby Blankets

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Sacques - - Rompers - - Gowns

Shawls - - Dresses - - Soakers

## Grayling Mercantile Company

The Quality Store

Phone 2251

Mrs. W. S. Peterman of Toledo arrived in Grayling Friday to visit her son, Roy J., at Northwood Lodge for about ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. William Nawatny of Battle Creek are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pentz. The two ladies are sisters.

Mrs. B. J. Callahan enjoyed a birthday party, Thursday of last week, and a dozen of her lady friends spent the afternoon with her. "No," she said, "we ladies didn't play golf, run foot-races, or do other violent things but we did have a GOOD VISIT." Of course there were birthday gifts, and Mrs. C. said it was almost like Christmas.

Rev. and Mrs. John W. Greenwood of the Calvary Methodist Church, Grand River avenue, Detroit, and family were week-end visitors in Grayling, guests of the Fred Welshes. Their son, Perry is about to finish the law course at the University of Detroit, and daughter, Madelyn, has finished pre-law studies at the same institution. "J. W." is the same interesting person, a man of fine ideals and intelligent understanding. He is a former pastor of the Michelson Memorial Church, leaving here about 13 years ago.

Miss Nancy Lee Noyes of Detroit is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Stroppe, at Lake Margrethe. Miss Noyes is a cadet nurse at Ford Hospital, Detroit.

Cliff Bell of Detroit spent last week in Grayling, fishing and visiting friends. He made his headquarters at Shoppenagons Inn.

A. E. Shearer and daughters, Miss Grace and Mrs. Florence Honeywell and daughter Bethany all of Pinconning called at the home of the ladies' uncle, Henry Jordan Monday afternoon, en route on a vacation trip north.

The mothers of Grayling who have sons and daughters in the armed service are invited to meet at the Court House in Grayling, Thursday afternoon, August 10, at 2:00 o'clock, to organize under the banner of "Moms of America." Mrs. Elmer Chaffee of Arbutus Beach, one of the four founders of this organization, will be present, and also representatives from the Frederic and Gaylord units. It is hoped to organize a "Moms" unit in Grayling and all women in this city who have sons or daughters in the armed service are cordially invited.

Byron Randolph, fireman 1st class at the Norfolk (Va.) Naval Training Station, arrived Monday to visit his mother, Mrs. William Randolph.

Commander Narconk of the U. S. Navy, and sisters, Mrs. John Narconk of Newport, Rhode Island, and Misses Lillian and Blanche Narconk, of Empire, spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Johnson at Lake Margrethe.

## Notice Taxpayers

### To Those Paying Taxes Under The Ten-Year Plan

#### 1933, 1934, 1935 Taxes:

The eighth installment is due BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1. Two per cent collection fee and no other charge if this installment or any number of additional installments, is paid before September 1, 1944. After September 1, 1944, the delinquent installments bear interest at the rate of three-fourths per cent per month in addition to the two per cent collection fee. Direct drains bear interest from date returned as delinquent.

#### 1932 and Prior Years:

The tenth installment is due BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 1944. Two per cent collection fee and no other charge if this installment, or any number of additional installments, is paid before September 1, 1944. After September 1, 1944, the delinquent installment bears interest at the rate of three-fourths per cent per month in addition to the two per cent collection fee. Direct drains bear interest from September 1, 1935.

If the installment due September 1, 1944, is not paid before the first Tuesday of May, 1945, the property will be offered for sale. A penalty of \$1.00 per description will be added on October 1. Also \$1.00 per description on 1942 tax added after October 1.

**Earl R. Burns, Crawford County Treasurer**

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## Letters from Camp

Robert C. Bancroft, post-cards from Great Lakes, Ill.

Dear Mr. Schumann:  
Just have a little time on my hands, so thought I would drop a few lines to you folks.

I'm in transfer waiting for my draft to be called. I don't know where they will send me. I have finished school here.

How is the fishing up there? Good, I'll bet. I hear the berries are plentiful. Well, I'll knock off.

As ever, your friend,

Sailor Bob.

God bless you all.  
His address, when he wrote this card was:  
R. C. Bancroft, E. E. U.S.N.T.S., Service School Transfer, Great Lakes, Illinois.

July 23, 1944.

Mr. Schumann:  
I thought it about time I wrote you a line and let you know I'm still thinking of the people back home. I'm in Australia and think it's really a nice country. The people over here are quite nice and the weather is just right. I've really had some nice times over here. But also some bad ones. If you like, you can put my address in the paper, as I know there are a lot of my friends in the service I have forgotten to write to, and would like to hear from. There is no news over here, so I will close now.

Sincerely yours,  
Robert C. Smock,  
Navy 134 N.S.D. (G.S.)  
c/o Fleet Post Office,  
San Francisco, Calif.

## Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

AUGUST 3, 1944

Capt. Hardin C. Sweeney of the U. S. Army just completed a higher course in the Infantry School at Camp Benning, Ga., and is in possession of a diploma and certificate of proficiency. Capt. Sweeney enlisted in the Regular Army in 1915.

Mrs. L. F. McConnell and daughter Lois, of Chicago, arrived Wednesday for a visit at the home of Dr. and Mrs. O. Palmer. Mrs. McConnell was formerly Miss Ruth Barlow.

Mrs. Harry Simpson landed a 34-inch pike at Lake Margrethe, Monday.

W. B. Weinberg and daughter Helen, of Saginaw, are guests of Mr. Weinberg's mother-in-law, Mrs. A. Kraus, and other relatives.

Miss Bertha Woodburn, of Detroit is in the city, the guest of her brother, Earl B. Woodburn, and family, who are at the Otson cottage at Lake Margrethe.

Mr. Albert Rumsey returned Monday to his home in Leslie, after spending a week here as a guest in the Victor Sailing home.

Annabel Brenner entertained twenty young friends Tuesday in honor of her ninth birthday. A

peanut hunt was the chief feature of the party. Miss Helen Bradley winning the prize.

Mr. Laidlaw of Bay City, Superintendent of Mackinaw Div. of M. C. R. R., H. C. Carson, Division Passenger Agent, and J. W. Switzer, Assistant General Passenger Agent of that road, were in Grayling to secure trout for exhibition purposes at the Rothschild department store at Chicago. The aquarium in which they have been placed is plainly marked "From the AuSable River Grayling, Mich."

It has just become known that John Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Brown, who is attending U. of M., was married early last spring. The young couple have kept their marriage a secret until now.

Clarence Johnson and Alfred Hanson are among the latest to receive the State Soldiers' bonus. Also a number of the ex-soldiers have received their Victory Medals.

The Sun Rise club formally opened their cabin at the "Stillwater" on the main stream of the AuSable River, Wednesday. About 20 guests were invited to participate in the event, as the guests of Carl Michelson of Mason. The members of the club are: Esbern Hanson, Carl P. Mickelson, James Hartwick, Frank Michelson, A. E. Michelson and O. W. Hanson.

## Pilgrimage to Mecca Goal Of 250 Million Moslems

War prosperity and safer sea routes may result this year in a larger pilgrimage to Mecca, Holy City to a quarter of a billion followers of Mohammed. Mohammed was born at Mecca and there his vision of the unity of God took shape. Mecca, situated in Saudi Arabia, is a city of 80,000 permanent population about 45 miles inland from the Red sea port of Jidda.

Pilgrims from Africa and southern Asia usually come by the Red sea route, arriving at Jidda's harbor in fleets of lateen-rigged sambuks or small Arab dhows, but the manner of pilgrimage is not prescribed by the Koran.

From India's 60 million followers large delegations come by sea. Pilgrims from the Union of South Africa, from Africa's east-central countries where there are 23 million Mohammedan Negroes, and from Madagascar, sailed around the eastern shoulder of Africa.

Asia Minor's pilgrims usually traveled overland, part way by railroad or bus, and the rest of the way by camel caravan. In some years the caravan from Cairo has included 5,000 people, 30,000 camels.

For the first time since 1939, delegations from the 15 million Moslems in Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco will be able to make the pilgrimage. In 1939 the French government provided a ship for its colonials. It sailed through the Mediterranean sea under British naval escort.

## Clover Catches Nitrogen; Restores Worn Crop Land

Clover always has symbolized soil fertility, good luck and good farming. According to Robert R. Lancaster of the Texas A. and M. college extension service, clover's magic is its actual soil value. Nodules of bacteria, borne on clover roots, have the mysterious power of obtaining nitrogen from the air. Continuity of human life is dependent upon clover and other legumes, inoculated with bacteria, restoring nitrogen to depleted soil. Inoculation makes vigorous plants which add more nitrogen to the soil than they use.

Sod with clover is the best known means to restore organic matter and thereby revitalize worn-out crop land. Lancaster says that in certain experiments grass and clover yielded three times as much forage and four times as much protein as grass alone. Also, the clover reduced weed infestation from 33 per cent to only 4.

Every grassland needs a clover and every clover a grass, but clover seems to abhor any combination of poor, wet, or sour land of any kind. Lancaster explains. On practically all other soil soils within 30 inches rainfall, one or more of the clovers will respond to phosphate and lime.

## First Air Express

It was on September 1, 1927, that the first regularly scheduled air express service was started in the United States. At some 26 cities from coast to coast, airline and express officials witnessed the start of an air cargo service destined to grow from 17,000 shipments in 1928 to more than 1,465,000 shipments last year.

Many of the first mail and express ships were single-engine, open cockpit biplanes. Packages were stowed wherever there was room. Often the pilot sat on the cargo. Coast-to-coast shipments required 36 hours and 16 refueling stops compared with present-day 18-hour, overnight transcontinental flights. Today's inter-city schedules are twice as fast as those of 18 years ago, while rates are one-third what they were in 1927. A 25-pound package from New York to the West coast cost \$65 in 1927; today the rate is \$21. The most recent rate reductions, effective July 15, were indicative of how growing air express volume benefits the shipper.

## Borax Aids Alfalfa

An application of from 20 to 35 pounds of borax per acre, along with the regular fertilizer, is one of the chief secrets in successfully growing alfalfa, report agronomists.

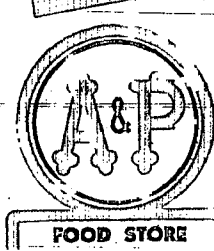
This small application of borax cures "alfalfa yellows," which is a leaf trouble, and it keeps the plants in a vigorous condition. The result is increased yields and the maintenance of a much better stand, according to the agronomists. Borax response is so outstanding that failure to get uniform distribution will result in streaks through the field.

One application of borax will last for several years. Growers are warned not to apply more than 35 pounds per acre because relatively large applications produce a toxic effect and damage the crop.

## Plant Storage

When storing plants should be kept away from the furnace, yet kept away from outside freezing, too. Most root vegetables should be kept as cold as possible without letting them freeze, that is, the temperature range kept between 32 and 40 degrees. At least one window in the storage room is valuable, since it can provide ventilation and carry off odors, as well as regulate temperature. Windows should be darkened to keep light away from the vegetables. Natural earth makes a very good floor for storage rooms, as it holds moisture better than concrete or brick.

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FRESH — JUICY LIMES

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18-lb. \$2.49  
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Paper is critically short. We cannot get enough paper bags. Use your own shopping bag or bring your other bag

back for refill. Carry packaged goods "as is." Please cooperate.—Conservation Division, War Production Board.

## NEW TYPES OF WAR PLASTICS HELP IN THE GU



One of the many women workers at Bell Aircraft's Buffalo plants inspects a sheet of molded plastic before it goes to the assembly line for installation in an Army fighter.

Uncle Sam's aerial gunners focus on enemy targets with more deadly accuracy than ever before through war-expedited advancements in perfecting transparent plastics.

A split second may mean success or destruction for bomber crews or fighter pilots. A gunner's clear vision is paramount to his success in getting a bead on the enemy first. Skillful research in the transparent plastic field here has done much toward the increasing supremacy of our air forces.

Crystal-clear transparent sections incorporated into this country's military airplanes were in development by American technicians before the war and have advanced since that time. "Plastic glass" sections are found in stream-lined canopies, the nose of the plane or in gunners' rounded observation posts otherwise known as "blisters."

Research unearthed technical knowledge required to produce plastics for use in fighting ships of the air. Exact specifications of uniform requirements such as thickness, contour, internal and surface clarity are of prime concern even while attaining optical excellence.

Before the war, while concentrating on early production of the Airacobra, Bell Aircraft Corporation of Buffalo, New York, worked shoulder to shoulder with the makers of plastic wizardry. The results were passed along to the

production departments for fighter planes—at the Niagara Frontier plants and for the B-29 bombers coming from assembly lines of Bell's Georgia division.

Manufacture of plastic enclosures begins with a flat cast of the glass-like material. The sheet is cut to size, placed in furnace ovens and heated to the proper temperature according to its size and thickness. In brief time, heat softens the resinous substance making it pliable.

Cotton-gloved operators then place the plastic on a form block and a hold-down ring is fitted to the block to bring out the correct contour. The section remains there until cool when it is inspected. If approved, it is sprayed with a rubberized coating for protection during later machine operations.

The segment is trimmed to size, sanded and drilled. Supporting strips are added, if necessary, being attached by a procedure that makes the joint stronger than the plastic itself.

Air pressure is used to form observation domes, but more complicated curved and stream-lined patterns are shaped by a unique process developed by Bell employees to obtain maximum optical quality.

In the ready-for-installation stage, transparent plastic has high impact resistance and will not shatter under vibration, plus excellent optical characteristics for our airmen.

## Things of Interest in Michigan CONSERVATION

Counting 249 deer in the first 15 days of July, William J. Cronk, Montmorency County conservation officer—saw two bucks, 40 does, three fawns, and three deer whose sex was uncertain, in one three-hour period. Conservation officers and game men are conducting their annual census of deer population in their areas.

At two periods of the year in April and again in August and September, mortality of muskrats on Michigan highways increases noticeably.

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If ice is not available, dressed fish can be kept in good condition for several hours by packing in aquatic vegetation such as watercress, or in damp, green leaves or grass.

War needs will require seventeen billion feet of lumber this year, the W.P.B. estimates. Hence, anyone whose carelessness starts a fire is sabotaging the war effort.

Today, about one barrel of oil in every seven produced in Michigan is coming from wells on the state-owned lands.

## Minnesota Woolen Line

Anyone interested in hunting suits, wool shirts, Snow Suits, men's and ladies' sweaters, reversible hunting coats, men's and ladies' jackets, bed blankets, etc., drop me a card and I will gladly call on you when in town. Also a complete line of Knapp Shoes, men's and ladies', all lengths and widths. Write B. C. Gilbert, Star Route, Grayling, Mich. 7-13-44

Preserves Love  
"Beauty commonly produces love, but cleanliness preserves it."—Ad. dison.

## Rationing at a Glance

Book 4 opens to the public 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. every week day.

**PROCESSED FOODS**  
Blue stamps A-8 thru Z-8 and A-5 in Book 4 good for 10 points each indefinitely.

**MEATS, CHEESE, BUTTER, FATS, CANNED FISH, CANNED MILK**

Red Stamps A-8 through Z-8 in Book 4 good for 10 points each indefinitely. A-5, B-5 and C-5 valid July 30.

**SUGAR**  
Sugar stamps 30, 31 and 32 in Book 4 good for 5 lb. each indefinitely. Stamp 40 good for 5 lb. canning sugar through Feb. 28, 1945. Obtain application for additional canning sugar in mail application back, attach SPARE stamps No. 37.

**SHOES**  
Nos. 1 and 2 airplane stamps in Book 3 good until further notice.

**GASOLINE**  
Stamp A-12 good for 3 gallons June 22 through September 21, B-3, C-3, B-4 and C-4 stamps are good for 5 gallons until used. State and license number must be written upon face of each coupon immediately upon receipt of book. Make application for B or C renewal at least 10 days before rationations are exhausted.

**TIRES**  
Inspections not compulsory unless applying for tires. Motorists MUST keep old inspection record. Commercial vehicle inspections due every six months or 5,000 miles, whichever is first.

**FUEL OIL**  
Coupons 4 and 5 good through Sept. 30. Unit value, 10 gallons. Change-making and reserve coupons good thruout heating year. Return application for next season's rationations as soon as received.

**Tattle-Tale Gray**  
Too long washing like too much soaking, may result in grayish-looking clothes; five to ten minutes is usually enough for washing.

## Public Again Discovered Good in Forever



The war against disease is one in which there is no armistice. It's a big war, too, for the toll of lives from diseases exceeds that of the battlefronts. These pictures take you to medical headquarters of the Children's Aid Society in New York and show you a phase of the battle against disease. Left: Dickie is next. Johnny has already gotten "the works." Center: "No fair." Johnny trusted the nice man and was pricked with a nasty needle. Right: This little chap cuddles up to the doctor as if the doctor were his own dad.